

TABLE 3.3 BRITISH COLUMBIA ECE SCHOOL PROGRAMS (2022–23)

Kindergarten	
5-year-old child population	48,668
Attendance in 5-year-old Kindergarten ^a	46,241
% of children attending Kindergarten	99%
JustB4 licensed preschool spaces ^b	Approximately 300
StrongStart BC ^b	25,652

^a. Student Headcount by Grade 2017/18 to 2020–2022/23. Retrieved from: https://catalogue.data.gov.bc.ca/dataset/7114187e-305c-4a79-acbb-3294ba0f53c8/resource/c1a55945-8554-4058-9019-514b16178f89/download/student_headcount_by_grade_2017_18-to-2022_23.xlsx

Includes 39,763 students enrolled in public, and 6,478 in independent schools.

^b. StrongStart BC and JustB4 enrolment estimates. Personal communication, Ministry of Education, October 1, 2023.

